

Public Law 425

CHAPTER 523

AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments and funds available for the Export-Import Bank of Washington for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, and for other purposes.

June 30, 1952
[H. R. 6854]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

Treasury and
Post Office De-
partments App-
ropriation Act, 1953.

TITLE I—TREASURY DEPARTMENT

That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Treasury Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, namely:

Treasury De-
partment App-
ropriation Act, 1953.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses in the Office of the Secretary, including the operation and maintenance of the Treasury Building and Annex thereof; and the purchase of uniforms for elevator operators; \$2,585,000.

BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Bureau of Accounts, \$2,000,000: *Provided*, That Federal Reserve banks and branches may be reimbursed for necessary expenses incident to the deposit of withheld taxes in Government depositories.

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, DIVISION OF DISBURSEMENT

For necessary expenses of the Division of Disbursement, \$12,200,000.

BUREAU OF THE PUBLIC DEBT

ADMINISTERING THE PUBLIC DEBT

For necessary expenses connected with any public-debt or currency issues of the United States, \$51,000,000 to be expended as the Secretary of the Treasury may direct, and the Secretary is authorized to accept services without compensation: *Provided*, That Federal Reserve banks and branches may be reimbursed for expenditures as fiscal agents of the United States on account of public-debt transactions for the account of the Secretary of the Treasury: *Provided further*, That the indefinite appropriation provided by section 10 of the Second Liberty Bond Act, as amended (31 U. S. C. 760), shall not be available for obligation during the current fiscal year.

40 Stat. 292.

OFFICE OF THE TREASURER

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Treasurer, \$20,500,000.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES, PUBLIC MONEYS

For the collection, safekeeping, transfer, and disbursement of the public money and securities of the United States, \$550,000.

BUREAU OF CUSTOMS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Bureau of Customs, including examination of estimates of appropriations in the field; expenses of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with the purposes of this appropriation; purchase of fifty passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; arms and ammunition; and not to exceed \$1,220,000 for personal services in the District of Columbia exclusive of ten persons from the field force authorized to be detailed under law (19 U. S. C. 1525); \$41,000,000.

46 Stat. 741.

BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Bureau of Internal Revenue, including expenses, when specifically authorized by the Commissioner, of attendance at meetings of organizations concerned with internal-revenue matters; purchase (not to exceed one hundred and twenty-five for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; examination of estimates of appropriations in the field; services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a), and of expert witnesses at such rates as may be determined by the Commissioner; and ammunition; \$270,000,000: *Provided*, That the amount for personal services in the District of Columbia shall not exceed \$19,000,000.

60 Stat. 810.

ADDITIONAL INCOME TAX ON RAILROADS IN ALASKA

For the payment to the treasurer of Alaska of an amount equal to the tax collected pursuant to sections 1300 and 1301 of the Internal Revenue Code, \$7,000.

53 Stat. 173.
26 USC 1300,
1301.

BUREAU OF NARCOTICS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Bureau of Narcotics, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); hire of passenger motor vehicles; arms and ammunition; and not to exceed \$10,000 for services or information looking toward the apprehension of narcotic law violators who are fugitives from justice; \$2,790,000.

SECRET SERVICE DIVISION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Secret Service Division, including purchase (not to exceed twenty for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; and arms and ammunition; \$2,725,000.

SALARIES AND EXPENSES; WHITE HOUSE POLICE

For necessary expenses of the White House Police, including uniforms and equipment, and arms and ammunition, purchases to be made in such manner as the President may determine, \$698,000: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall be available for the employment of additional personnel without regard for the limitation contained in section 2 of the Act of August 15, 1950 (Public Law 693).

64 Stat. 448.
3 USC 203(a).

SALARIES AND EXPENSES; GUARD FORCE

For necessary expenses of the guard force for Treasury Department buildings in the District of Columbia, and elsewhere, including purchase, repair, and cleaning of uniforms; purchase of one station wagon for replacement only; and arms and ammunition; \$465,000.

BUREAU OF THE MINT

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Bureau of the Mint, including arms and ammunition, purchase and maintenance of uniforms and accessories for guards; examination of estimates of appropriations in the field; and not to exceed \$1,000 for the expenses of the annual assay commission; \$4,825,000.

COAST GUARD

OPERATING EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the operation and maintenance of the Coast Guard, not otherwise provided for, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); purchase of not to exceed thirty-two passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; maintenance, operation, and repair of aircraft; recreation and welfare; and examination of estimates of appropriations in the field; \$194,000,000: *Provided*, That the number of aircraft on hand at any one time shall not exceed one hundred and thirty-seven exclusive of planes and parts stored to meet future attrition: *Provided further*, That (a) the unobligated balance of appropriation to the Coast Guard for the fiscal year 1952 for "Operating expenses" shall be transferred on July 1, 1952, to the account established by the Surplus Fund-Certified Claims Act of 1949 for payment of certified claims; (b) amounts equal to the unliquidated obligations on July 1, 1952, against the appropriation "Operating expenses", fiscal year 1952, and the appropriation for "Operating expenses" for the fiscal year 1951 which was merged therewith pursuant to the Treasury Department Appropriation Act, 1952, shall be transferred to and merged with this appropriation, and such merged appropriation shall be available as one fund, except for accounting purposes of the Coast Guard, for the payment of obligations properly incurred against such prior year appropriations and against this appropriation, but on July 1, 1953, there shall be transferred from such merged appropriation to the appropriation for payment of certified claims (1) any remaining unexpended balance of the 1951 appropriation so transferred, and (2) any remaining unexpended balance of the 1952 appropriation so transferred which is in excess of the obligations then remaining unliquidated against such appropriation.

60 Stat. 810.

Transfer of funds.

63 Stat. 407.
31 USC 712a
note.

65 Stat. 182.

ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, AND IMPROVEMENTS

For necessary expenses of acquisition, construction, rebuilding, and improvement of aids to navigation, shore facilities, vessels, and aircraft, including equipment related thereto; and services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); \$19,250,000, to remain available until expended.

RETIRED PAY

For retired pay, including the payment of obligations therefor incurred during prior fiscal years, \$17,000,000.

RESERVE TRAINING

63 Stat. 551,
804.63 Stat. 407,
31 USC 721a
note.

Citation of title.

For all necessary expenses for the Coast Guard Reserve, as authorized by law (14 U. S. C. 751-762; 37 U. S. C. 231-319), including expenses for regular personnel, or reserve personnel while on active duty, engaged primarily in administration of the reserve program; and the maintenance, operation, and repair of aircraft; \$2,500,000: *Provided*, That (a) the unobligated balance of appropriation to the Coast Guard for the fiscal year 1952 for "Reserve training" shall be transferred on July 1, 1952, to the account established by the Surplus Fund-Certified Claims Act of 1949 for payment of certified claims; (b) an amount equal to the unliquidated obligations on July 1, 1952, against the appropriation "Reserve training", fiscal year 1952, shall be transferred to and merged with this appropriation, and such merged appropriation shall be available as one fund, except for accounting purposes of the Coast Guard, for the payment of obligations properly incurred against such prior year appropriation and against this appropriation, but on July 1, 1953, there shall be transferred from such merged appropriation to the appropriation for payment of certified claims any remaining unexpended balance of the 1952 appropriation so transferred which is in excess of the obligations then remaining unliquidated against such appropriation.

SEC. 102. This title may be cited as the "Treasury Department Appropriation Act, 1953".

Post Office Department Appropriation Act, 1953.

TITLE II—POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

64 Stat. 461.

For administration and operation of the Post Office Department and the postal service, there is hereby appropriated the aggregate amount of postal revenues for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, as authorized by law (39 U. S. C. 786, 794a), together with an amount from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, equal to the difference between such revenues and the total of the appropriations hereinafter specified and the sum needed may be advanced to the Post Office Department upon requisition of the Postmaster General, for the following purposes, namely:

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

60 Stat. 810.

Securing information.

For expenses necessary for general administration of the postal service, operation of the inspection service, and the conduct of a research and development program, including services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a); \$250,000 to be available exclusively for procurement by contract of things and services related to design, development, and construction of equipment used in postal operations, and for contracts for management studies; rewards for information and services concerning violations of postal laws and regulations, current and prior fiscal years, in accordance with regulations of the Postmaster General in effect at the time the services are rendered or information furnished; and expenses of delegates designated by the Postmaster General to attend meetings and congresses for the purpose of making postal arrangements with foreign governments pursuant to law; and the expenses of delegates provided for herein and not to exceed \$20,000 for rewards, as provided for herein, shall be paid in the discretion of the Postmaster General and accounted for solely on his certificate; \$22,000,000.

POSTAL OPERATIONS

For expenses necessary for postal operations, not otherwise provided for, and for other activities conducted by the Post Office Department pursuant to law, including \$500,000 to be available exclusively for manufacture and procurement of improved devices for postal operations and other activities; \$510,000 to be available exclusively for the purchase of trucks, tractors, and trailers; and storage and repair of vehicles owned by, or under control of, units of the National Guard and departments and agencies of the Federal Government where repairs are made necessary because of utilization of such vehicles in the postal service; \$2,150,000,000: *Provided*, That during the current fiscal year the inventory of trucks and tractors of the Post Office Department shall not exceed eighteen thousand such vehicles at any time.

Inventory of vehicles.

TRANSPORTATION OF MAILS

For payments for transportation of domestic and foreign mails by air, land, and water transportation facilities, including current and prior fiscal years settlements with foreign countries for handling of mail; and for expenses, exclusive of personal services, necessary for operation of Government-owned highway post office transportation service; \$616,000,000.

CLAIMS

For settlement of claims, pursuant to law, current and prior fiscal years, for damages (28 U. S. C. 2672; 31 U. S. C. 224c); losses resulting from unavoidable casualty (39 U. S. C. 49); loss of or damage to mail, and failure to remit collect-on-delivery charges (5 U. S. C. 372; 39 U. S. C. 244, 245a, 245b, 245d, 381, 382, 387); and domestic money orders more than one year old (31 U. S. C. 725k); \$5,800,000.

62 Stat. 983; 48 Stat. 1207.
22 Stat. 29.
39 USC 49 note.
37 Stat. 558; 62 Stat. 1265; 41 Stat. 581; 48 Stat. 1229.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 202. Appropriations made in this title for general administration and for postal operations shall be available for examination of estimates of appropriations in the field.

SEC. 203. Appropriations made in this title, except those for payment of claims, shall be available for expenditures in connection with accident prevention.

SEC. 204. Appropriations made in this title available for expenses of travel shall be available, under regulations prescribed by the Postmaster General, for expenses of attendance at meetings of technical, scientific, professional, or other similar organizations concerned with the function or activity for which the appropriation concerned is made.

SEC. 205. This title may be cited as the "Post Office Department Appropriation Act, 1953".

Citation of title.

TITLE III—GOVERNMENT CORPORATION

The following corporation is hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to such corporation, and in accord with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government Corporation Con-

Export-Import Bank of Washington Appropriation Act, 1953.

59 Stat. 598.
31 USC 849.

trol Act, as amended, as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the Budget for the fiscal year 1953 for such corporation, except as hereinafter provided:

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF WASHINGTON

60 Stat. 810.

Not to exceed \$1,125,000 (to be on an accrual basis) of the funds of the Export-Import Bank of Washington shall be available during the current fiscal year for all administrative expenses of the bank including the purchase of one passenger motor vehicle for replacement only; and services as authorized by section 15 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 55a): *Provided*, That necessary expenses (including special services performed on a contract or fee basis, but not including other personal services) in connection with the acquisition, operation, maintenance, improvement, or disposition of any real or personal property belonging to the bank or in which it has an interest including expenses of collections of pledged collateral, or the investigation or appraisal of any property in respect to which an application for a loan has been made, shall be considered as nonadministrative expenses for the purposes hereof.

Citation of title.

SEC. 302. This title may be cited as the "Export-Import Bank of Washington Appropriation Act, 1953".

TITLE IV—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Strikes or overthrow of Government.

Affidavit.

Penalty.

Chauffeurs.

SEC. 401. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act, or of the funds available for expenditure by any corporation included in this Act, shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: *Provided*, That for the purposes hereof an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this section engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States, is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or that such person does not advocate, and is not a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence: *Provided further*, That any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, or who advocates, or who is a member of an organization that advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation or fund contained in this Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: *Provided further*, That the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provisions of existing law.

SEC. 402. Except for the automobiles officially assigned to the Secretary of the Treasury and the Postmaster General, respectively, and automobiles assigned for operation by the Secret Service Division, no part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used to pay the compensation of any civilian employee of the Government whose primary duties consist of acting as chauffeur of any Government-

owned passenger motor vehicle (other than a bus or ambulance), unless such appropriation is specifically authorized to be used for paying the compensation of employees performing such duties.

SEC. 403. This Act may be cited as the "Treasury and Post Office Departments Appropriation Act, 1953".

Approved June 30, 1952.

Public Law 426

CHAPTER 524

AN ACT

To amend the Act of January 12, 1951 (64 Stat. 1257), amending and extending title II of the First War Powers Act, 1941.

June 30, 1952
[S. 2421]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Act of January 12, 1951 (64 Stat. 1257), is hereby amended by striking out "1952" and inserting in lieu thereof "1953".

50 USC app. 611
note.

Approved June 30, 1952.

Public Law 427

CHAPTER 525

AN ACT

To increase certain rates of veterans' compensation provided for specific service-incurred disabilities, and for other purposes.

June 30, 1952
[H. R. 7783]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (A) subparagraph (k), paragraph II, part I, Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Veterans.
Disability com-
pensation.
38 USC note foll.
ch. 12.

"(k) If the disabled person, as the result of service-incurred disability, has suffered the anatomical loss or loss of use of a creative organ, or one foot, or one hand, or blindness of one eye, having only light perception, the rate of compensation therefor shall be \$47 per month independent of any other compensation provided in part I, paragraph II, subparagraphs (a) to (j); and in the event of anatomical loss or loss of use of a creative organ, or one foot, or one hand, or blindness of one eye, having only light perception, in addition to the requirement for any of the rates specified in subparagraphs (l) to (n), inclusive, of part I, paragraph II, the rate of compensation shall be increased by \$47 per month for each such loss or loss of use, but in no event to exceed \$400 per month."

(B) The rate of compensation provided under subparagraph (l), paragraph II, part I, Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, is hereby increased to \$266.

(C) The rate of compensation provided under subparagraph (m), paragraph II, part I, Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, is hereby increased to \$313.

(D) The rate of compensation provided under subparagraph (n), paragraph II, part I, Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, is hereby increased to \$353.

(E) The rates of compensation provided by subparagraphs (o) and (p), paragraph II, part I, Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, are hereby increased to \$400.

SEC. 2. Paragraph II, part I, Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, is hereby amended by adding a new subparagraph (q) to read as follows: